

Senate File 2289 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS
AFFAIRS

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2217)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to requirements for veteran special
2 registration plates.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.34, subsection 27, Code 2022, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *c.* For purposes of this subsection,
4 *"satisfactory proof of military service and discharge*
5 *under honorable conditions"* includes but is not limited to
6 presentation of any of the following:

7 (1) The owner's veteran identification card issued by the
8 United States department of veterans affairs along with another
9 form of government-issued identification.

10 (2) The owner's driver's license or nonoperator's
11 identification card that displays the word "VETERAN" pursuant
12 to section 321.189, subsection 8, or section 321.190,
13 subsection 1, paragraph "b", subparagraph (4).

14 (3) The owner's certificate of release or discharge from
15 active duty, DD form 214, if the form indicates the owner was
16 discharged under honorable conditions.

17 EXPLANATION

18 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
19 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

20 Under current law, a person who served in the armed forces
21 of the United States and was discharged under honorable
22 conditions may, upon written application and presentation of
23 satisfactory proof of military service and discharge under
24 honorable conditions, order special registration plates bearing
25 a distinguishing processed emblem depicting the word "veteran"
26 below an image of the American flag.

27 Current law also provides that a driver's license or
28 nonoperator's identification card applicant who is an honorably
29 discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States
30 may request that the license or card be marked to reflect the
31 applicant's veteran status. The word "VETERAN" is marked
32 prominently on the face of the license or card if the applicant
33 provides satisfactory proof of veteran status pursuant to
34 procedures established by the department of transportation
35 (DOT) in consultation with the department of veterans affairs,

1 or upon presentation of the applicant's certification of
2 release or discharge from active duty, DD form 214 (DD214), if
3 the form indicates the applicant was honorably discharged.

4 This bill allows an applicant for veteran special
5 registration plates to submit, as satisfactory proof of the
6 applicant's military service and discharge under honorable
7 conditions, (1) the applicant's veteran identification card
8 issued by the United States department of veterans affairs
9 along with another form of government-issued identification,
10 (2) the applicant's driver's license or nonoperator's
11 identification card that displays the word "VETERAN", or (3)
12 the applicant's DD214, if the form indicates the applicant was
13 discharged under honorable conditions.